A.—The Hon'ble Sri K. CHENGALARAYA REDDY (Chief Minister.)—

(*a*) Yes; a pass in the Upper Secondary Examination is an alternate qualification for a pass in the S.S.L.C. Examination for appointment of teachers in Middle Schools and such candidates are working as teachers in Middle Schools.

The Upper Secondary Course is not in existence now.

(*b*) No.

(*c*) No.

Gazetted and Non-Gazetted Officers and their Communities.

*Q.—168. Sri T. C. HONNAPPA (Mysore District—General).—

Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(*a*) the number in the gazetted ranks up to end of December 1950;

(*b*) the castes to which such gazetted rank officers belong;

(*c*) the number in the non-gazetted ranks;

(*d*) the castes to which those in the non-gazetted ranks belong;

(*e*) the number of Probationers enlisted between January 1945 up to end of December 1950 with their castes?

A.—The Hon'ble Sri K. CHENGALARAYA REDDY (Chief Minister).—

(*a*) Not readily available. Information up to the end of March 1950 is given in the latest Civil List, Part I, corrected up to 1st April 1950.

(*b*) Not readily available as the practice of indicating the caste to which an officer belongs is not in vogue now. Information up to 1st July 1949 can be had in the Civil List, Part I, corrected up to 1st July 1949.

(*c*) and (*d*) Information is not readily available. It has been called for from the Heads of Departments and will be furnished if received during the Session.

(*e*) The Mysore Civil List for this period may be consulted. Additional information, if any, is being compiled.

Loss due to fire outbreak in Koppasoge and Hura Villages.

*Q.—169. Sri M. MADIAH (Mysore District—Depressed Class).—

Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(*a*) the dates on which accidental fire took place in Koppasoge and Hura Villages in Nanjangud Taluk from the last three months up to 31st December 1950;

(*b*) the number of houses burnt and the names of Adikarnataka families and others, if any, who suffered from the fire accident;

(*c*) the kind of loss incurred by each of the above families and its extent;

(*d*) the kind of help, if any, given by them and the extent of such help?

A.—The Hon'ble Sri H. SIDDAIYA (Minister for Revenue and Excise).—

(*a*) On 30th October 1950 at Koppasoge on 29th December 1950 at Hura.

(*b*) and (*c*) A copy of Statement is appended below.

(*d*) Free grant of building materials worth Rs. 15 to each of the 12 families from Naganapura State Forest and a cash grant of Rs. 5 each out of the discretionary grants were sanctioned to the sufferers in Koppasoge Village.

At Hura as a measure of immediate relief about 4 pallas of foodgrains collected from the villagers and clothes purchased out of the donations of Rs. 180 collected at the spot were distributed among the sufferers. The sufferers have also been permitted to build houses in the adjoining lands, pending formal acquisition. The local officers have been instructed to render all possible help and a sum of Rs. 100 has been placed at the disposal of the Amildar for distribution among the sufferers. Separate action will be taken regarding grant of further relief by granting building materials, tiles, etc., under Depressed Class Amelioration Schemes.